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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
LOS ANGELES DIVISION

In re:

LAYFIELD & BARRETT, APC,
Debtor.

Case No.: 2:17-bk-19548-NB

Chapter 11

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO
APPROVE SETTLEMENT WITH THE
DOMINGUEZ FIRM, INC., WITH
RESPECT TO THE MATTER OF ROSE
PINEDA, ET AL. V. COUNTY OF
RIVERSIDE, ET AL.**

Date: March 20, 2018
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Place: United States Bankruptcy Court
Edward R. Roybal Federal Building
255 E. Temple Street, Ctrm. 1545
Los Angeles, California 90012
Judge: Honorable Neil W. Bason

The Court, having considered the *Motion for Order Approving Settlement with The Dominguez Firm, Inc., with Respect to the Matter of Rose Pineda, et al. v. County of Riverside, et al.* [Docket No. 240] (the “Motion”),¹ filed by Richard M. Pachulski, the duly appointed chapter 11 trustee (the “Trustee”) in the above-captioned bankruptcy case of Layfield & Barrett, APC, pursuant to which the Trustee sought entry of an order to approve a settlement (the “Settlement”) resolving the fee and cost claims as between The Dominguez Firm, Inc. (“TDF”, and together with the Trustee, the “Parties”), and the Trustee arising from litigation pending in the Superior Court of the

¹ Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Motion.

State of California for the County of Riverside entitled *Rose Pineda, et al. v. County of Riverside, et al.*, Case No. RIC1507590 (the “Pineda Proceeding”); and having determined that no appearances were required at the hearing regarding the Motion scheduled for March 20, 2018, at 2:00 p.m.; and good cause appearing therefor; it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion is GRANTED.

2. The Settlement is approved as set forth in the Motion as follows:

a. Instead of being divided equally as set forth in the Association Agreements, the estimated aggregate attorney fee amount of \$1,073,875.00 shall be split between TDF and the Trustee as follows:

TDF: \$590,631.25 (55%)

Trustee: \$483,243.75 (45%)

b. The bankruptcy estate shall recover \$47,708.85 of the \$171,395.68 in expenses associated with the Pineda Proceeding set forth in the Debtor’s records obtained by the Trustee.

c. TDF shall address all proceedings and take all reasonable actions necessary to finalize, obtain all requisite approvals of and consummate the settlement of the Pineda Proceeding, in order to effectuate payment to the Trustee of all amounts due to the bankruptcy estate under the Settlement


3. The Parties are authorized to take any and all actions reasonably necessary to effectuate the Settlement.

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1 4. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or
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Neil W. Bason
United States Bankruptcy Judge